

COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

RESOLUTION No. 2019-3
By Jim Maxwell Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Keen, President of Council
A RESOLUTION All Members of Council

SUPPORTING THE 2019 CELEBRATION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

WHEREAS, the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr. is celebrated each year as a federal holiday in the United States, and in 2019 this holiday occurs on Monday, January 21st, with celebrations and events sponsored by Baldwin Wallace University, in conjunction with the Berea community and the Campus/Community MLK Week Committee, taking place throughout the week; and

WHEREAS, at 9:00a.m. and 11:15a.m. on the morning of Sunday, January 20th, the United Methodist Church of Berea, 170 Seminary Street, will hold a Worship Service with Special Guest Speaker Dr. Emmanuel Twesigye, professor of Christian studies at Ohio Wesleyan University; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, January 21st, the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday, the Annual MLK Prayer Breakfast will be held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 572 Pearl Street, and will begin at 9:00a.m., featuring music, readings, a keynote speaker and a delicious breakfast; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, January 21st, the annual MLK Candlelight March will begin with a brief introduction at 7:00p.m. in the Grindstone Room of Strosacker Hall, 125 Tressel Street, before progressing toward the Center for Innovation and Growth, 340 Front Street, where it will conclude with reflections and refreshments; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, January 22nd, the MLK Art Showcase will be held at 6:00p.m. in the lobby of the Kleist Center for Art & Drama, 95 E. Bagley Road, and will provide students a place to embrace the continued vision of Dr. King, and utilize artistic expression as a means of enriching and uplifting the community; and

WHEREAS, immediately following the MLK Art Showcase, Emmy Award-winning journalist and co-anchor of ABC's Nightline, Byron Pitts, will present "BE THE ONE: Making a Difference in the World Around You in the Spirit of Dr. King", and deliver the week's keynote address as part of "Enduring Questions: The Mark Collier Lecture Series"; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of Wednesday, January 23rd, Creative Expressions will be held at the Berea Library, 7 Berea Commons, beginning at 7:00p.m., which will showcase student and community member artwork that celebrates the life and legacy of Dr. King, and be followed by a dramatic performance; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, January 24th, at 12:15p.m., the Lindsay-Crossman Chapel, 56 Seminary Street, will host a Chapel Worship Service to honor the memory of Dr. King; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, January 26th, Baldwin Wallace will conclude the week's festivities with a conference-style Social Change Summit, open to students of the University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor of the City of Berea, the President and all Members of Council and the Officers of the Administration do hereby support the 2019 celebration of the birth and life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and, in commemoration of Dr. King's birthday, encourage all citizens and civic, cultural, and religious groups in the City of Berea to participate in the events being held in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., an exceptional, influential and outstanding American leader.

SECTION 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: January 7, 2019
[Signature] President of Council

Approved as to Form:
[Signature]

[Signature] Director of Law
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: January 15, 2019
[Signature] Mayor

Attest:
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature] Clerk of Council
Director of Law